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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, [REDACTED]  
SUBJECT: Intelligence Support for Unconventional Warfare Operations  
REFERENCE: Draft Memorandum from [REDACTED] to the [REDACTED] dated 12 February 1959, Subject: Operational Intelligence for Paramilitary and Unconventional Warfare Operations

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1. In the course of reviewing our research program in support of UW planning, I became involved in an examination of the respective roles of [REDACTED] and OIR in this activity. A subsequent meeting with [REDACTED] led to his request that I make comments on the referenced memorandum. In Mr. [REDACTED] absence, I discussed various features of the memorandum with you, [REDACTED], and have prepared, as requested by you, a summary of the major points I wished to make in the discussion.

2. I share with you the feeling that there should be a formal recognition of the function of coordinating intelligence support for unconventional warfare operations. I am less certain that the referenced memorandum is the appropriate way to approach the problem. This conclusion results from my impression that the most pressing question affecting [REDACTED] in which the coordination activities are presently lodged, is not its proper location vis-a-vis Defense and CIA, but rather the relationship which [REDACTED] has to other intelligence support facilities within the CIA.

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3. I feel that there should be no question raised as to which agency, CIA or Defense, should house the UW coordinating activity. The activity is already established in the DD/P and its presence implicitly accepted by the Military Services. It can be considered to provide a service of common concern. In addition, there appear to be certain substantive benefits that would accrue from its retention in the DD/P. It follows from this that the memo could only request the DD/C to secure formal Defense acknowledgement of the UW coordinating function and raise the question of Defense contribution of personnel. This objective is probably better pursued through direct contact with Defense after other more fundamental questions are answered.

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4. It is apparent that [REDACTED] activities in support of UW planning have led it beyond the realm of coordinating intelligence support objectives and programs. The Branch has moved into actual intelligence production in which it prepares selective compilations from existing intelligence sources and conducts analyses as necessary to bind the compiled parts together. This apparent enlargement of [REDACTED] original role raises questions regarding its relationship to OIS and to the major intelligence support components of the DD/I. [REDACTED] and your desire that [REDACTED] achieve a further level of activity in which it provides current support on a routine basis to certain non-UW operations of FP and other components of the DD/P raises additional questions. I can see good purpose in the idea of a G-2 Production Division type of intelligence support center for the Clandestine Services. However, I feel that the existence of OIS needs

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to be considered in developing such an objective, and that a formal adjustment to the recognized mission and functions of OIS, and OMR and other DD/I components needs to be achieved to validate the intelligence production activities being conducted by [REDACTED] presently. 25X1A8a

25X1A8a 5. If not already accomplished, I would offer the suggestion that the recognition of [REDACTED] activities, present or proposed, could be developed by the coordination and approval of a statement of the desired 25X1A8a [REDACTED] mission and of the functions by which it is to fulfill this mission. Negotiation with Defense can then follow. While this may be an arduous series of actions to undertake, it appears to me that it is necessary to the legitimatization of [REDACTED] There must be internal agreement on the 25X1A8a scope of [REDACTED] activities and the location from which they are to be conducted. I shall, of course, be glad to provide such assistance as I can in your further consideration of this matter.

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